

Section A Listening

(32 marks)

There are three parts in this section. In Part 1, you will hear an advertisement. In Part 2, you will hear an interview. In Part 3, you will hear a conversation. **Write all your answers in the answer booklet.** For each part, you will have 30 seconds to study the questions in the answer booklet. The recordings will be played only ONCE.

Section B Reading

(B-1)

(12 marks)

Bonnie is reading a leaflet. Read it carefully, choose the best answers for Questions 17-21 and complete Question 22.

Vegetables 101

Potatoes

Countries all over the world, even those in cold climates, grow potatoes. A potato is also called a spud and it grows at the roots of a certain plant. The spud usually becomes the largest and most nutritious after growing for three months.

Potatoes grow easily on farms. To say that potatoes cannot grow anymore after being picked is incorrect. Potatoes are still living after harvesting and they can grow into more potatoes.

Tomatoes

Tomatoes are well-known for their shiny red skin and juicy flesh. Farmers from nearly every country grow tomatoes, except countries in polar regions. Tomatoes also come in other colours, like yellow, brown, and green.

In the past, tomatoes were once known as the 'Love Apple' because of their appearance. In recent years, tomatoes are considered as one of the healthiest vegetables.

Corn

Corn grows on tall plants and some of these plants can be over four metres tall! Despite the height of the plants, corn is an easy vegetable to grow, preferably in warm weather.

There are five major types of corn and they are used in different ways. For example, we use sweet corn in all kinds of dishes, while we use dent corn for making fuel for machines. Farmers pick corn during summer. In winter and spring, farmers **sow** the corn seeds again.

Chili peppers

Chili peppers grow well from spring to autumn. Since they are small in size, people even grow them at homes or in their own gardens. Therefore, you can easily find chili pepper seeds in gardening shops.

People use chili peppers in many ways, not just for cooking spicy dishes. To protect crops on farms, farmers make use of chili peppers' smell. **It** can help keep insects away.

Bonnie is reading an article called 'The Caring Rescuers'. Read it carefully, choose the best answers for Questions 23-27 and complete Question 28.

The Caring Rescuers

What is Animal Rescue?

Animal Rescue is an animal charity that was established in 2002. It takes care of injured animals found in the city. Experienced vets take the role of Friends of Animals who treat injured animals and help them recover. Animal Rescue aims to give love and care to animals. The charity also promotes animal rights and the idea that people and animals can live in harmony.

What does Animal Rescue do?

- Travels to different parts of the city to receive injured animals
- Provides medication or surgery to animals in need
- Places recovering animals in care facilities until they can be released
- Educates the public about ways of caring for animals

Who can be Friends of Animals?

Friends of Animals are workers of Animal Rescue who love animals. Trained vets are employed for the job because they have to know a lot about animals and methods to heal them. Friends of Animals need to have driving licences to receive hurt animals in different places. Animal Rescue gives them medical and animal first aid equipment at work.

Who are Junior Carers?

To encourage people to help animals, Animal Rescue has launched a volunteer scheme called Junior Carers for primary and secondary school students. Participants will learn ways to treat animals properly. Then they can volunteer at Animal Rescue's activities, including assisting Friends of Animals.

How can you help?

There are different ways that you can support Animal Rescue. You can become a volunteer or make a donation online so that Animal Rescue can help more animals in need.